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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2203

Introduced by Assembly Member Solorio
(Coauthor: Assembly Member Mendoza)

February 18, 2010

An act to add Section 66406.5 to the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2203, as amended, Solorio. Public postsecondary education: college textbooks.

Existing law establishes the 3 segments of public postsecondary education in this state. These segments include the California State University, which is administered by the Trustees of the California State University, the University of California, which is administered by the Regents of the University of California, and the California Community Colleges, which are administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges.

Existing law requires the trustees and the board of governors, and requests the regents, to work with the academic senates of each respective segment to encourage faculty to give consideration of the least costly practices in assigning textbooks, including using a selected textbook as long as it is educationally sound.

This bill would ~~encourage~~ *require* the board of governors; *and* the trustees, and *request* the regents, to review each respective segment's

student transfer policies, and to revise those policies, to ensure that students may continue to use a textbook selected for a transfer or general education course, regardless of publication date, for as long as the textbook is available to students and the information contained in the textbook is current and reflects contemporary thinking in the discipline.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 66406.5 is added to the Education Code,
2 to read:
3 66406.5. The Board of Governors of the California Community
4 ~~Colleges, Colleges and~~ the Trustees of the California State
5 University *shall*, and the Regents of the University of California
6 ~~are encouraged to~~ *requested to*, review each respective segment's
7 student transfer policies, and to revise those policies, to ensure
8 that students may continue to use a textbook selected for a transfer
9 or general education course, regardless of publication date, for as
10 long as the textbook is available to students and the information
11 contained in the textbook is current and reflects contemporary
12 thinking in the discipline.